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Province's nuke plans unchanged

Public hearings regarding Ontario's bid to build new reactors begin next week Switzerland, Germany and Lithuania put brakes on programs in wake of Japan crisis

The provincial government is showing no signs of backing down on plans to expand its fleet of nuclear reactors as an atomic crisis continues to unfold in tsunami-ravaged Japan.

Ontario's New Democrats, who have long opposed nuclear expansion, are urging Premier Dalton McGuinty to "reassess" his commitment to nuclear power amid new safety concerns and rising costs.

"I don't think that it's unwise to rethink a major commitment when we know that if things go wrong with nuclear power, they can go really wrong," said NDP critic Peter Tabuns.

Dangerous levels of radiation leaking from a crippled nuclear plant forced Japan to order 140,000 people to seal themselves indoors yesterday after an explosion and fire ripped through the facility.

But a spokesman for Ontario Energy Minister Brad Duguid said the Liberal government remains committed to building two new units at the Darlington nuclear station in Clarington.

"As you know, the government's long-term energy plan speaks to the need to replace some of our nuclear facilities over the coming decade," Andrew Block wrote in an email. "There will be a thorough environmental assessment of the proposal."

Bruce Power, which operates the provincially owned Bruce nuclear station on the eastern shore of Lake Huron, said the homegrown CANDU reactor is designed to protect against the loss of coolant in the event of an accident — the worst-case scenario that Japan is grappling with now, said Bruce Power CEO Duncan Hawthorne.

"For the CANDU ... it's a little bit of fuel surrounded by an awful lot of water, whereas these other reactor designs are a lot of fuel surrounded by a little bit of water," said Hawthorne. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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PM: We're not in danger

The nuclear crisis unfolding in Japan following last week's massive earthquake and tsunami poses no risk to Canada, says Prime Minister Stephen Harper.

Harper said officials at several federal agencies believe the radiation leaking from a damaged nuclear power plant in Japan won't put Canadians at risk here at home.

Japan. The things they carry

▶ Neena Sasaki, 5, carries some family belongings from her home, which was destroyed by the earthquake and tsunami that devastated Japan.

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Working in fear of worst case

Presently, Japan is struggling to contain a potential nuclear meltdown after the Fukushima Dai-ichi nuclear plant was seriously damaged in the wake of the 9.0-magnitude earthquake that struck the country's northeast coast last Friday. More coverage, pages 10, 11 and 15.

G20's legal legacy grows

Two new lawsuits allege police misconduct {page 4}

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Man guilty of aiding Brampton teen's suicide

A Minnesota man relentlessly pushed a depressed and vulnerable 18-year-old Carleton University student in online chats to kill herself and contributed to her suicide, a judge ruled yesterday.

William Melchert-Dinkel, 48, a former nurse, was found guilty of encouraging Nadia Kajouji of Brampton and Mark Drybough of Coventry, England, to commit suicide.

Kajouji's older brother said he's glad to close that chapter, even though it won't bring his sister back.

"It shows that this crime isn't going unpunished and that's the bottom line," Marc Kajouji, 32, said from Brampton. "It could be a deterrent for the future."

Melchert-Dinkel, obsessed with suicide and death, trolled chat rooms dedicated to suicide methods as he posed as a female. He sought out his victims, entering into a suicide pact with Kajouji and trying to get her to hang herself while he watched via webcam.

Kajouji died in 2008 after she jumped into the freezing Rideau River. According to court documents, an online posting she made days before her death reveals her severe depression.

"I have not attempted suicide in the past because I am terrified of failing — the attention it would garner," she wrote, adding that the rehabilitation process would be more than she could bear.

"I just want out," she added.

A sentencing hearing is scheduled for May 4. Minnesota's aiding suicide law carries a maximum penalty of 15 years in prison and a $30,000 US fine.

Melchert-Dinkel's lawyer said they will launch an appeal.

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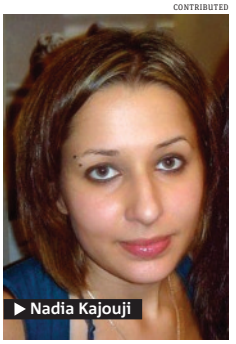

▶ Nadia Kajouji

Organic business's clients out hundreds

Company likely to be put into formal bankruptcy soon: CEO

A Toronto-based organic produce delivery service has gone out of business, at a time when demand for all-natural fruits and vegetables is climbing.

Organics Delivered Ltd., a six-year-old company with operations in Toronto, Ottawa and Calgary, has abruptly shut down, leaving its customers who prepaid for food out hundreds of dollars and with very little information as to what happened.

Victoria Yeh said she and her husband received an email Feb. 22 indicating delivery would be delayed for that week due to company "restructuring."

"We basically never heard from them again," she said.

Yeh quickly cancelled a cheque she had post-dated for the second half of this year's deliveries.

$800 Some customers paid for a full year of deliveries up front — about $800.

CEO Robert Ranson emailed the Toronto Star yesterday to say he was "way behind on everything."

"The long and the short of the shutdown is we grew quickly, developed heavy operational overhead, and when we hit a slowdown in January and February we hit serious cash flow issues that cascaded," he said.

"Refunds are still patchy. Right now things are still a mess as our communications with our client base is on and off."

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▶ Elizabeth Godo and her boyfriend, Nick Verkaik, are out almost $1,000 after her organic food delivery service went out of business, leaving her in the lurch.

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Virgin Mobile presses for a love button

Company hopes to convince Facebook to add a 'love button' Social network site only has 'like'

Get ready to show some love on Facebook.

Virgin Mobile and singer/actress Mandy Moore have teamed up to bring the Virgin Love Button to the social networking site.

"It came to us through our members," said Nathan Rosenberg, chief marketing officer at Virgin Mobile Canada, which is owned by Bell.

"There'd been a rise in discussion about why there isn't a love button on Facebook. So we polled them and 75 per cent said, 'Yeah, we'd love to have a love button.'"

Rosenberg said Moore, who recently voiced a character in the animated film Tangled, is a perfect fit for the campaign.

"She's a great believer in the fact that the world needs more love."

Facebook features a button that allows users to prove their appreciation for something by clicking a "like button."

However, to this day, no "love button" has been available.

That has now changed, at least for those who add the Virgin Love Button app, available from love.virginmobile.ca, to their profiles.

The company is also trying to get Facebook to officially create a love button with events like a protest at Facebook's Canadian headquarters March 28.

Rosenberg said Virgin Mobile also hopes to meet with Facebook creator Mark Zuckerberg.

"So we're getting some shirts made up saying, 'Zuke where's the love?'" he said.

"We know that they will have to (give in), ultimately, because there will be so much demand for it."

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▶ Actress/singer Mandy Moore attends a Toronto event yesterday to promote Virgin Mobile Canada's new initiative to convince Facebook to add a "love button." The campaign includes a March 28 protest at the social network's Canadian headquarters.

New G20 lawsuits target T.O. police board

The torrent of G20-related legal complaints widened further yesterday after two new lawsuits were filed against Toronto police.

Davin Charney, a lawyer representing the two plaintiffs, said both have filed lawsuits naming the Toronto Police Services Board as defendants and claiming $25,000 in damages.

Luke Stewart, one of the plaintiffs, alleges that as he was approaching a rally at Allan Gardens during the weekend of the G20 summit in June 2010, police said he couldn't enter the park unless he submitted to a search.

An amateur video of the incident was played for media at a news conference yesterday.

In it, Stewart declines to be searched, saying police must detain him in order to search his belongings or else the search is illegal.

A police officer persists, saying: "Those are the rules."

In the video, Stewart attempts to move past the police into the park, but he is detained and his belongings are searched. He says his swimming goggles were taken.

"I'm not here to suggest I was brutalized," Stewart said yesterday. "The police were caught red-handed violating the Charter of Rights and Freedoms."

The second complainant, identified at the news conference as Kalmplex, is suing police for $25,000 for a wrongful arrest in Parkdale and for extended imprisonment of 20 hours. The complainant alleges that during that time, police did not provide adequate food or warmth.

None of the allegations have been tested in court and police have not yet filed a statement of defence in either case.

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▶ Luke Stewart speaks to police last June in a YouTube video.

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Protesters rally against police in Toronto, Montreal

Cops use Twitter to keep residents informed about where the demonstrations were headed

Protesters in Toronto took part in an anti-police demonstration yesterday that was partly inspired by incidents at the G20 summit, where there were mass arrests and widespread allegations of police abuse.

Meanwhile, in Montreal about 10 people were arrested in the city's notoriously raucous annual anti-police protest — and that was before the protest even started yesterday.

Police said they stopped a number of people for municipal infractions, namely for carrying sticks and air guns on the way to the demonstration.

1,500
Montreal police say their force oversees 1,500 events a year and, each year, up to 98 per cent end without any incidents.

Montreal's annual anti-police march typically spirals into vandalism and clashes with law enforcement, resulting in scores of arrests.

Police forces in both cities were co-operating in preparation for yesterday's events.

During last year's confrontation in Montreal, which resulted in 83 arrests, a Toronto police official was in the Montreal operations centre observing how it was handled.

A year earlier, at the 2009 Montreal protest, 221 arrests were made, mainly for municipal bylaw infractions. Toronto police were also sent information by the Montreal force to help them single out potential trouble-makers.

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Police find no bones after digging

The macabre story of a young boy forced to help his father bury the body of his murdered mother has taken another strange twist. Just as Vancouver police announced that an excavation of a basement home found nothing, the angry witness said police bungled the job and weren't digging in the right place.

Robert Sturcz said his memory is vivid, even though he was just five and the murder was alleged to have happened more than three decades ago. "I seen my dad kill her, choke her out, break her neck and dig a hole," Sturcz said. "He was five-foot-three, 350 pounds — too fat to lift a bunch of (stuff.) He got me to help." Sturcz said his father even made him write a confession letter. "There's a note buried in the basement, saying it's my fault my mom's dead, written in crayon when I was young," Sturcz, 38, said.

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RCMP probe exposes red-flagging of requests

The launch of an RCMP investigation into a Tory staffer for political interference in access to information has again exposed the secretive practice of flagging sensitive requests for scrutiny by ministerial aides. A report this week by Suzanne Legault, Canada's information commissioner, was highly critical of a so-called purple file process at Public Works.

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Gaza-bound missiles seized: Israel

Country says Hamas routinely has arms shipments delivered to Egypt and then smuggled across Sinai peninsula to bypass naval blockade

Israel said yesterday it seized a cargo ship loaded with weapons sent by Iran to Palestinian militants in Gaza, including sophisticated land-to-sea missiles that officials said could change the balance of power in the area.

The takeover in the Mediterranean Sea was the latest in a series of Israeli naval raids meant to counter the growing influence of Iran, which Israel accuses of supplying rockets and other arms to Israel's enemies.

The navy's deputy commander, Brig. Gen. Rani Ben-Yehudah, said investigators found between two and four Chinese-made C-704 missiles.

Ben-Yehudah said Iran is known to possess these weapons, the shipment included instruction manuals in Farsi and there were other clues that "explicitly" showed Iranian involvement.

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▶ An Israeli navy vessel enters the Israeli port of Ashdod yesterday.

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Bahrain declares state of emergency

Bahrain's king declared a three-month state of emergency yesterday to quell a Shiite uprising, as clashes spread through the capital and surrounding villages in a showdown that drew in the region's major powers and splintered along its main sectarian fault lines. At least two Bahrainis and a Saudi soldier died, and hundreds of protesters were injured by shotgun blasts and clubs.

A force of more than 1,000 Saudi-led troops expanded to defend the Sunni monarchy; Iran and Lebanon's Hezbollah denounced the presence of foreign soldiers; and Washington feared for its main naval base in the Gulf.

Any compromise appeared distant at best, with the latest order from Bahrain's king and protesters' demands for the royal family to be toppled altogether.

The state of emergency in the U.S.-backed regime gives Bahrain's military chief wide authority to battle protesters demanding political reforms and equal rights for the majority Shiites.

At Manama's Pearl Square, the symbolic centre of their revolt, thousands of protesters were still in shock over the arrival of the neighbouring armies when the state of emergency was declared.

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▶ An anti-government protester outside the Saudi Arabian Embassy in Manama yesterday as Bahrain's King Hamad declared a three-month state of emergency.

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Harper defends Canadian government's handling of crisis in Japan

The world was already throwing around words like "meltdown and "worst-case scenario" by the time Kaz Morran knew anything was wrong with a nuclear power station about 100 kilometres south of his home along Japan's eastern coast.

Morran, a 30-year-old English teacher originally from Penticton, B.C., survived last Friday's magnitude-9.0 earthquake, which struck as he was at work in Sendai, one of the hardest-hit areas of the country.

He survived the tsunami, too, living far enough from the shore that he didn't even hear about the destructive surge of water until the following day. Telephone lines and Internet access were down in his part of the city for several days, although the damage around him was comparably minor.

Morran didn't learn about the problems at the Fukushima Dai-ich plant until Sunday. By then, the facility's cooling systems had been failing for two days, and the first in a series of explosions damaged the site the day before.

The plant suddenly felt a lot closer.

"That's my biggest worry — I don't know what's happening with this nuclear power plant situation, that's a bit scary," Morran said in a telephone interview from his home in Sendai, where he lives with his wife. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Frustrated

- Reliable information about what's happening and what Kaz Morran should do has been difficult to come by. Morran is frustrated the Canadian government has been unable to fill that information void.
- He said it took him four days to get through to the Canadian Embassy in Tokyo. "Finally, I get through and all I get is this recording?"

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▶ Tsunami survivors cook and eat in front of their damaged house yesterday in Ishinomaki in Miyagi Prefecture (state) after the area was badly damaged by Friday's massive earthquake and tsunami.

PM: Not time for election

Prime Minister Stephen Harper has warned his political opponents that it would be economically dangerous to force a federal election in the wake of the massive earthquake and tsunami that have devastated Japan.

The prime minister made the connection between the unfolding disaster overseas and the feverish political speculation in Ottawa during an event in Surrey, B.C., yesterday.

When asked whether he was worried the earthquake will hurt this country's economy, Harper said his first concern was ensuring the Canadian government was ready to help Japan. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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SHOWDOWN

▶ A fleeing Libyan rebel falls from a truck yesterday, which was driving back to the coastal city of Benghazi. Libyan government forces assaulting the key city of Ajdabiya outflanked insurgents and cut the road north to the rebel capital of Benghazi, rebel sources said.

World Vision

Japan devastated by quake and tsunami

AP Photo/Kyodo News

World Vision needs your help to provide immediate humanitarian relief to the children and families of Japan.

On Friday, north-eastern Japan was struck by a 9.0 magnitude earthquake – one of the most powerful earthquakes in recorded history – triggering a powerful tsunami. Thousands have lost their lives and entire towns have been washed away.

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‘Surrender or run away,’ Gadhafi tells rebels in David and Goliath battle

Moammar Gadhafi’s forces overwhelmed rebels in the strategic eastern city of Ajdabiya, hammering them with air strikes, missiles, tanks and artillery yesterday in an assault that appeared to open the way for an all-out government offensive on the opposition’s main stronghold in the east, Benghazi.

In desperation, rebels sent up two antiquated warplanes that struck a government ship bombarding Ajdabiya from the Mediterranean. But as tanks rolled into the city from two directions and rockets relentlessly pounded houses and shops, the ragtag opposition fighters’ defences appeared to break down.

Only 10 days ago, the rebellion was poised to march on Tripoli, the capital, and had appeared capable of sweeping Gadhafi out after 41 years in power but the regime’s better armed military has reversed the tide.

Gadhafi warned rebels: “There are only two possibilities: Surrender or run away.” He said he was not like the Tunisian or Egyptian leaders who fell after anti-government protests. “I’m very different from them,” he said in an interview with the Italian newspaper Il Giornale. “People are on my side and give me strength.” THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

No-fly zone?

Efforts led by France and Britain to create a no-fly zone to protect the rebels have gone nowhere.

- **Some rebels** lashed out at the West for failing to come to their aid.
- “The world is sleeping,” said one rebel fighter. “They (the West) drunk of Gadhafi’s oil and now they won’t stand against him.

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Province pulling the plug on 11 agencies

Tory finance critic says 'the savings that will be realized will be used up in less than a day of their excess spending'

Thirteen Ontario agencies will either be merged or axed under an austerity program aimed at reducing the province's massive deficit, the governing Liberals announced yesterday.

Stadium Corporation of Ontario will be combined into the planned merger of Infrastructure Ontario and the Ontario Realty Corporation, which was announced in January.

Stadium Corp., which was created in 1984 for the construction of SkyDome, had $4.2 million in the bank that will be used to pay down Ontario's debt, said Andrew Chornenky, a spokesman for the finance minister.

The Ontario Mortgage Corporation will merge with the Ontario Mortgage and Housing Corporation.

The Opposition Conservatives say it's just window dressing for a spendthrift government that's facing an election in the fall.

The Liberals' efforts to rein in spending — including last year's promise to freeze public sector wages — have been "a complete failure," said Tory finance critic Norm Miller.

The government is also axing agencies that it boasted about just a few years ago, said NDP economic development critic Howard Hampton.

Liberal cabinet ministers "almost bruised their shoulders patting themselves on the back" when they created the Northern Ontario Grow Bonds Corp. in their 2004 budget.

"Now, seven years later, after northern Ontario's lost thousands of good jobs, they're admitting it was a failure," Hampton said.

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Going, going ...

11 agencies to be axed:

- Social Assistance Review Board
- Toronto Area Transit Operating Agency
- Eastern Ontario and Northern Ontario Development Corporation
- Biopharmaceutical Investment Program Marketing Advisory Committee
- Commodity Futures Advisory Board
- Crown Timber Board of Examiners
- Healing Arts Radiation Protection Commission
- North Pickering Development Corporation
- Ontario Network of Excellence Advisory Committee
- ORtech Corporation (formerly the Ontario Research Foundation)

Fashion. Forward

▶ Tyra Banks, centre, celebrates the launch yesterday of her fashion and beauty website typeF.com at the New York Stock Exchange.

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Tyra's TypeF personality

She conquered the runway, television and Harvard Business School. Now Tyra Banks has her sights on the Internet, with the launch of typeF.com, which offers personalized beauty and fashion advice.

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'Panic buying' grips Japan

Frenzied stockpiling is compounding supply problems, officials say

Canned goods, batteries, bread and bottled water have vanished from store shelves and long lines of cars circle gas stations, as Japan grapples with a new risk set off by last week's earthquake: Panic buying.

Far outside the disaster zone, stores are running out of necessities, raising government fears that hoarding could hurt the delivery of food aid to those who really need it.

"The situation is hysterical," said Tomonao Matsuo, spokesman for instant noodle maker Nissin Foods, which donated one million items, including its Cup Noodles, for disaster relief. "People feel safer just by buying Cup Noodles."

Meanwhile, the jitters have spread to British Columbia where people are making a run on pharmacies, hoping to boost immunity to any radiation drift. Officials are encouraging people to refrain from stockpiling potassium iodide, saying no health risks exist.

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House prices rise

The national average price for homes rose 8.8 per cent year-over-year in February, but realtors suggest prices could decline once stricter mortgage rules come into effect Friday.

30 New rules in effect Friday will make the maximum mortgage payback period 30 years instead of 35.

The Canadian Real Estate Association said the national average home price rose to $365,192 last month, but that includes multimillion-dollar sales in Vancouver that skewed the average. With Vancouver removed from the equation, the increase is 3.4 per cent.

About 41,283 homes were sold last month across the country on CREA's Multiple Listing Services, down from the 42,230 sold in January.

The number of new listings was up 1.5 per cent in February, as higher demand and stable prices lured sellers into listing their homes.

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Just sayin'

PAUL SULLIVAN

"What a long strange trip it's been."
— Grateful Dead

You might have missed it. If so, you're forgiven. Even if the Japanese earthquake wasn't the biggest story ever, you might have missed the death of Owsley Stanley in a car crash in Australia.

Owsley who?

Oh, just some guy who blew the mind of a generation.

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Because he was also the sound engineer for the Grateful Dead, he was at ground zero of Woodstock Nation, his work immortalized in the lyrics of Jimi Hendrix and Steely Dan, to name just a couple.

Thanks to Owsley Stanley, more than a few sleek, grey stockbrokers, doctors, lawyers and politicians occasionally stop and stare at an interesting carpet pattern for longer than might seem absolutely necessary.

During the period around the Summer of Love — 1967 — Stanley was everywhere.

He designed the dancing bear logo for the Grateful Dead. In fact, he was the dancing bear — his nickname was Bear and he was a dancer. He was also the grandson of the governor of Kentucky.

He supplied the LSD for The Merry Pranksters Acid Test, which Tom Wolfe chronicled in The Electric Kool-Aid Acid Test, and journalism, formerly the domain of serious guys in trench coats, was never the same.

Unlike most people who tripped out in the '60s, then got a real job, Stanley stayed out there. Way out there.

He moved to Australia because he thought the Northern Hemisphere was due for another Ice Age. He ate only dairy products and meat, because he believed human beings were natural carnivores and viewed vegetables as toxic.

He died Sunday at 76 after losing control of his car and sliding down a hillside near his home. It's hard to believe his adventures with LSD and the law once made international headlines, but it's hard to believe men don't let their hair grow long any more. They're lucky if they still have hair.

Owsley Stanley was the first hippie — and he was the last hippie. Woodstock Nation is now officially a thing of the past. Won't be long before the next generation thinks we made the whole thing up, like Atlantis.

Meanwhile, the dancing bear is now among the grateful dead forever.

Read more of Paul Sullivan's columns at metronews.ca/justsaying

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MICHAEL DE ADDER

EU to test nuke plants

Worth mentioning

Reassessment

VIRGINIA MAYO/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Shocked into action by Japan's atomic crisis, European energy officials agreed yesterday to apply stress tests on nuclear power plants and Germany moved to switch off seven aging reactors — one of them permanently.

The European Union's energy chief called for a reassessment of the 27-nation bloc's energy policy, and questioned what role nuclear power should have in the future.

"We have to ask ourselves: Can we in Europe, within time, secure our energy needs without nuclear power plants?" EU energy commissioner Guenther Oettinger told German ARD television.

Energy ministers, nuclear regulators and industry officials meeting in Brussels found "general agreement" on the need for tough tests to check whether the EU's 143 nuclear reactors could withstand earthquakes and other emergencies, Oettinger said.

The stress tests will be devised using the "strictest" nuclear standards in the bloc and be applied in the second half of the year, he said, adding that plants that fail the tests would have to shut down. He invited non-EU nations including Russia and Switzerland to join the initiative.

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Metro Minute at Seekers Books

Bargain book juggernaut BMV has all but swallowed the market for cheap reads, but if you're looking for an obscure title on the esoteric, you won't find a better selection anywhere beyond this mortal coil than Seekers Books.

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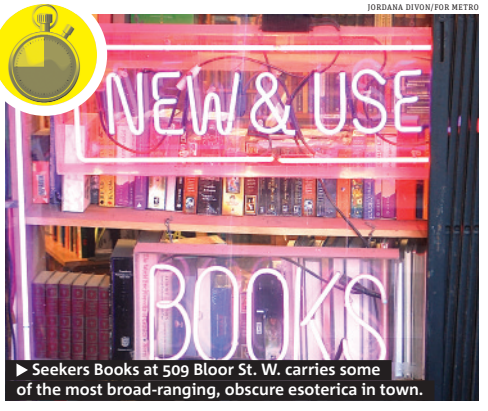

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What's on the silver screen this spring

Here's Metro's look at what will make you laugh, love, cry and scream this spring

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It's not just the weather that's warming up after a long, snowy winter — the cinema's getting a little hotter too.

Some of the year's best films arise in anticipation of summer's blockbuster onslaught.

With this year's crop involving everything from dramatic literary adaptations (Water for Elephants, April 22) to bizarre horror tales about telepathic tires (Rubber, April 8) springtime blooms with something for all.

APRIL SCREAMS FOR MORE

While the action flares up shortly after the spring equinox with Zack Snyder's (Watchmen) Sucker Punch (03/25), the hits keep on coming in the form of sci-fi thriller Source Code (04/01), the creepy ghost story Insidious (04/01), the latest installment of the Fast and the Furious — Fast Five (04/29) and the highly anticipated return of another blockbuster franchise — Scream 4 (04/15).

But April balances the suspense with a few lighter options as well. Watch for animated family fare like the Easter Bunny comedy Hop (04/01), the flightless bird feature Rio (04/15) and the sequel Hoodwinked Too! (04/29). Plus, April features funnymen like Russell Brand reinventing Dudley Moore's iconic role in the remake of Arthur (04/08), Danny McBride (Eastbound & Down) goes medieval in Your Highness (04/08) and Tyler Perry revisits Madea's Big Happy Family (04/22).

▶ The thrills and laughter carry on in Scream 4.

▶A star-studded cast delivers lightning action in Thor.

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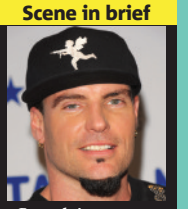
Adventures continue in May as multiplexes are overrun by comic book fans when Marvel's long-maned superhero Thor (05/06) makes his cinematic debut. Meanwhile, buccaneer buffs will flood theatres once Pirates of the Caribbean: On Stranger Tides opens (05/20). However a week later, the tone will alter dramatically when The Hangover: Part II (05/27) shows what damage Bradley Cooper and company can produce in Bangkok.

Other anticipated hits include comedian Kristin Wiig having her own hangover moment in Bridesmaids (05/13), Super Size Me director Morgan Spurlock's latest documentary The Greatest Movie Ever Sold (05/06) and the animated sequel Kung Fu Panda 05/26).

Scene in brief



Canada's newest reality singing competition will be judged by Vanilla Ice, Jann Arden and Simple Plan singer Pierre Bouvier.

The trio have been recruited to pass judgment on wannabe crooners on the upcoming Global TV series Canada Sings!

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Breaking up was hard on Longoria

Still working through split from Tony Parker

The six months that have passed since Eva Longoria's split from Tony Parker haven't made things any easier on the Desperate Housewives star.

"Every time I talk about it, I want to cry," Longoria tells Allure magazine. "It's been hard. Very hard ... I'm kind of having to find new patterns because I'm not used to having — I'm used to always being on a plane and flying to a basketball game," she admits.

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▶ Eva Longoria

After tasteless tweets: No more quacks

Gilbert Gottfried has lost a lucrative job voicing the Aflac duck mascot in commercials after posting insensitive jokes to Twitter in the aftermath of Japan's recent earthquake and tsunami, according to the Hollywood Reporter.

"Gilbert's recent comments about the crisis in Japan were lacking in humour and certainly do not represent the thoughts and feelings of anyone at Aflac," a company spokesman says. "There is no place for anything but compassion and concern during these difficult times."

Aflac, which does about 75 per cent of its business in Japan, is set to launch a casting call for a new actor to voice the duck.

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Gibson a grandpa x 3

In the midst of his ongoing legal battle with ex-girlfriend Oksana Grigorieva, Mel Gibson has reason to celebrate. The actor has become a grandfather for the third time, as daughter Hannah recently gave birth to a son, according to People magazine.

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The travel site TripAdvisor has chosen Pigeon Forge and Gatlinburg in the Smoky Mountain area as among the best U.S. family destinations to discover. Pigeon Forge was listed No. 4 and Gatlinburg No. 6. Williamsburg, Va., was No. 1.

Winners were based on recommendations from reviewers who travelled with family. The two Tennessee towns, between Interstate 40 and the Great Smoky Mountains National Park, are lined with tourist-related attractions.

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Men more 'low-key' than women when preparing for holiday: U.K. report

Georgia's gem is called the 'hostess city of the south' for a good reason Politeness and hospitality just add to the charm of this city that embodies America's Deep South

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▶ Savannah, Ga., still has the old-time charm of America's Deep South.

Explore Savannah's historical beauty

"By day, Savannah is blushing southern belle, but by night this good time gal can really kick her heels up!"

Savannah, the one-time capital of the state of Georgia, still feels like the soul of America's Deep South. Be ready for glorious days, balmy nights and lashings of southern hospitality.

See

Savannah is greater than the sum of her parts. There is no single gee-whizz attraction but everywhere you go you get a real feeling you've just walked into a Faulkner novel. Head for the historic waterfront, order a mint julep and enjoy the graciousness of the Savannah folk.

Hear

"Have a nice day y'all." Savannah is known as the "hostess city of the south" — it was once a cheesy promotional slogan but it somehow stuck and within minutes of being here you'll realize why.

Eat

At the Olde Pink House. Built in 1771, with a pink stucco facade, this long-time favourite (and ex-Civil War HQ) is formal, yet the food is as deliciously Southern as it gets. Sautéed local shrimp with country ham and grits cake, crispy scored flounder with apricot sauce — the menu is as long as it is delicious.

Drink

Mint juleps. It has to be. The classic mix of bourbon, sugar, water and spearmint is as southern as it gets. Ideally served on the porch of course but also available at great bars in the historic district like Churchills, the Six Pence pub, or 309 West.

Wear

Guys can do a lot worse than a classic linen suit, which is cool, practical and a big southern statement. Ladies might opt for ultra-feminine southern belle dresses. Oh, come on, it's fun. Either way, take decent shoes — some of the cobbled streets are a nightmare!

Do: Look up

Much of Savannah's charm lies in the way she doesn't seem to have changed much since colonial times. The scenery, all grandiose mansions and Spanish moss-covered oaks, and even civil war forts, reflect the city's importance (and prosperity) both then and now. Look a little closer and you'll also see a good time gal just below the prim and proper surface.

Don't: Go naked

St. Patrick's Day is a big deal here, with major (slightly drunken) parades. There is a bizarre tradition that encourages women (slightly drunken) to go topless. But in recent years the police (slightly drunken) have taken an increasingly dim view of this so maybe best to keep covered-up.

Say: Sir and ma'am

Courtesy and manners are a big big deal here. So don't forget them. A well-placed please and thank you can mean the difference between the best steak in the house and a mangy piece of yesterday's left-overs.

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▶ The wedding dress worn by k.d. lang at the 1985 Juno Awards show is on display at Pearson International Airport.

Junos take over airport

New exhibition at Toronto's Pearson International Airport shows off items linked to Canadian musicians

Travellers heading to the United States from Pearson International Airport's Terminal 1 can brush up on their knowledge of Canadian pop music.

"Did Juno?," an exhibition that opened on Friday in the U.S. departure lounge area, highlights facts about Juno Award winners and showcases items including a wedding dress worn by k.d. lang and original art used for Blue Rodeo album covers.

"It's very cool … definitely eye-catching," airport art curator Lee Petrie says of the floor-length vintage satin wedding dress — on loan from the Canadian Country Music Hall of Fame — that lang wore with cowboy boots at the 1985 awards show when she won most promising female vocalist.

Paintings by Toronto-based artist Matt James and East Coast musician Rick White, used respectively for Small Miracles and Are You Ready, are displayed beside the Blue Rodeo CDs.

A CD cover from Feist's 2007 album The Reminder is also highlighted. Feist's video for My Moon, My Man from that album was filmed in Terminal 1.

There are also photos of Anne Murray, Maestro Fresh-Wes, George Fox and Burton Cummings, as well as Canadian-produced CDs for Metallica, Whitney Houston, Peter Gabriel and U2.

The exhibition, developed in partnership with the Juno Awards and installed in a nine-metre-long glass case, runs until August.

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Good enough to make you belt out 'O Canada...'

Dieticians of Canada's latest cookbook spotlights the use of locally grown food in your kitchen

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▶ This Orange Ginger Beef gets the Canadian touch with locally grown beef and cilantro.

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It's always nice to cook with friends. Now, imagine having friends across Canada who are dietitians and want to help you eat healthfully and celebrate Nutrition month.

March spotlights locally grown food in Canada, and dietitians from across the country have come together to share their recipes in the latest Dieticians of Canada cookbook, Cook! by Mary Sue Waisman.

The book is designed to lend a hand to families when it comes to preparing healthy meals and eating nutrient-rich foods from all four of Canada's food groups.

It also encourages families to make the effort to dine together.

"Research clearly shows it's worth the effort to eat together," says Waisman.

"When families eat together, generally speaking, they eat better.

"Best of all, home-cooked food tastes very delicious!"

Cook! is full of recipes and photos for meals such as Pinto Bean Tortilla Soup — a hearty, warming soup created by dietitian Heather McColl of British Columbia. It is a delicious way to get some soluble fibre from beans.

Another recipe is this Orange Ginger Beef.

Nova Scotia dietitian Jennifer Garus gives the Asian favourite a Canadian twist by throwing in some locally grown cilantro and using a cut of Canadian beef. Eye of round is a lean cut of beef without much marbling (fat running through it). It becomes much more tender when it is marinated.

The book is also packed with nutrition tips to get Canadians to make smart choices in their kitchens.

For more information about Dietitians of Canada, check out dietitians.ca.

Orange Ginger Beef

Ingredients:

- 2 tbsp (30 mL) minced fresh ginger
- 1 tbsp (15 mL) minced garlic
- 1 tsp (5 mL) black pepper
- 2 tbsp (30 mL) canola oil
- 1 tbsp (15 mL) hoisin sauce
- 1 lb (500 g) beef eye of round, cut into strips (3 x 1/2 inch/7.5 x 1 cm)
- 1 tbsp (15 mL) cornstarch
- 3/4 cup (175 mL) orange juice
- 2 cups (500 mL) quartered mushrooms
- 2 tbsp (25 mL) chopped fresh cilantro
- 1 tbsp (15 mL) grated orange rind

Preparation:

1. In a shallow bowl, combine ginger, garlic, pepper, 1 tbsp (15 mL) of the oil and hoisin sauce. Add beef and stir to coat well. Cover and refrigerate for at least 4 hours or up to 12 hours.
2. Drain marinade from beef, discarding marinade. Heat a large non-stick skillet over medium heat. Add half the beef and sauté for 3 to 4 minutes or until lightly browned. Transfer to bowl and set aside. Repeat with the remaining beef.
3. In a small bowl, whisk together cornstarch and orange juice.
4. Add remaining oil to skillet and sauté mushrooms for 3 to 4 minutes or until lightly browned. Return beef and accumulated juices to skillet. Stir in cornstarch mixture and cook, stirring, for about 3 minutes or until sauce is thickened. Serve garnished with cilantro and orange rind.

Cooking Tip: Be sure not to crowd the beef while sautéing it, or it will steam instead of browning. You may need to brown it in three batches if you have a smaller skillet.

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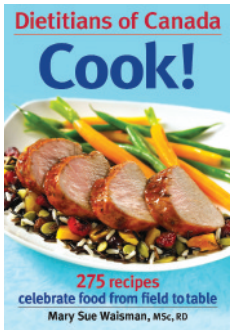

Enough with the nitpicking

The boss who micromanages accomplishes little more than breeding irritation among fellow staff

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If you want something done right, you should do it yourself.

But as the boss, if you find yourself involved in every mundane chore in the office – teaching the accountants how to format a spreadsheet, reminding the cleaning staff how to knot a trash bag – you may become the micromanager.

Few workplace tyrants exact a more devastating toll on their company's morale. And the worse part, career counsellors say, is that your typical nit-picker-in-chief think they're being a mentor – when they're truly being a tormentor.

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▶ Think you're being a great mentor to your staff by meddling in their every affair? Think again.

"One of the consequences of micromanaging is people feel they're being controlled," New York-based executive guide Barbara Frankel says. "They start not being engaged in their jobs. They feel their ideas and knowledge have been dismissed."

Communication Coach Donna Flagg has a stronger way of putting that.

"People hate you," she says. "You're that boss that makes people say, 'I can't stand my job.' When underlying everything you do what you're saying is, 'I cant trust you to do anything right.'"

The symptoms of a workforce taxed by meddlesome management are easy to spot, she says. Do your underlings avoid your eye contact? Or you?

If so, consider that seething resentment "a red flag and an opportunity to see what's going wrong," she offers.

"You need to find out, is it you, and you're a control freak, and this person would do just find if you left them alone, or do you have a problem employee who really can't get out of bed in the morning," she explains. "Pull back and see what happens."

Meanwhile, "set up more regular communication," Frankel advises.

Boss's paranoia -- that dread that you're no longer in the loop – drives many a manager to dominate their workers.

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Office romance is a tricky business. For Zbigniew Augustynowicz the Garden of Eden simply had too many forbidden fruits.

As the owner of Metro Aluminum Products, an aluminum manufacturer in Surrey, B.C., Augustynowicz confused a failed office romance with sexual harassment. When he did, it became the recipe for a workplace disaster.

Augustynowicz met Lisa McIntosh when she started working for his company as a driver. Two weeks later, he asked her out for a drink after work. McIntosh agreed, and they chatted about work and family.

Augustynowicz claimed he was no longer married. Soon they started dating and exchanging text messages at work.

Having later learned that Augustynowicz was still married, McIntosh tried to end the relationship.

Augustynowicz did not take this news well. He continued to send her provocative text messages, repeatedly calling her a "bitch" and propositioning her for sex.

McIntosh told Augustynowicz to stop texting her and tried to ignore him. However, Augustynowicz was persistent and his texts became progressively more offensive.

When McIntosh refused his entreaties, he asked if he could date her daughter instead and enquired if she had "any horny girlfriends." After McIntosh declined to rekindle the relationship, Augustynowicz texted her saying "the hell with u, I tried." Finally, McIntosh threatened to contact the police.

On the verge of a breakdown, McIntosh went to a doctor and was granted eight to 12 weeks' off work for stress. When she gave her doctor's note to the shop manager, he said he had no choice but to replace her and then "assumed" she quit. But McIntosh had not quit, so she complained to the Human Rights Tribunal.

At a recent trial, Augustynowicz attempted to justify his actions by arguing that McIntosh was both a "willing participant" and a "workplace flirt." However, these arguments were swiftly dismissed by the tribunal, which found that McIntosh was sexually harassed when she insisted the texts come to an end. The tribunal ordered Metro and Augustynowicz to pay significant damages for lost wages and mental distress.

It comes as no surprise that Metro and Augustynowicz's arguments were easily vanquished, especially at a left-leaning human rights tribunal.

The arguments that she was a "willing participant" and a "workplace flirt" represent excuses rather than valid legal defences, as the mere fact that an employee had a prior relationship with a boss will never be seen as a licence for unwelcome advances.

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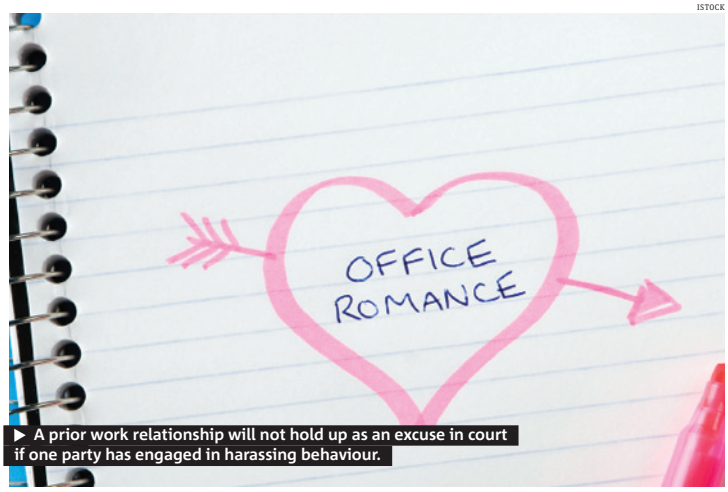

▶ A prior work relationship will not hold up as an excuse in court if one party has engaged in harassing behaviour.

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Keeping kids in the classroom

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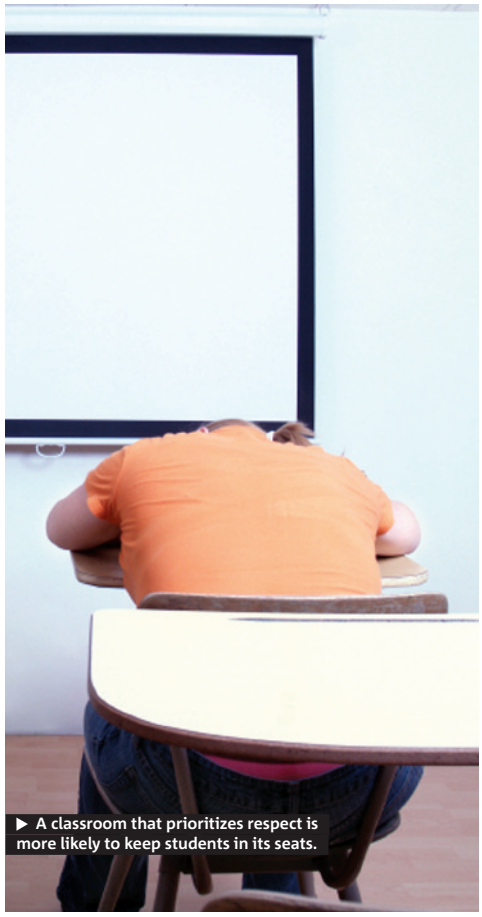

▶ A classroom that prioritizes respect is more likely to keep students in its seats.

How do we help students stay in school?

For most people, completing secondary school has become a basic requirement to be able to live satisfying and productive lives.

Much has been learned about the factors that keep young people on track to successful high school graduation.

The most important single factor is students' feeling of connection to the school and in particular, the belief by every student that there is at least one adult in the school who knows and cares about them. Schools can do many things to promote this, such as assigning teacher advisors, and taking action early when a student shows signs of being in difficulty, both personally and academically. Schools can reach out to struggling students to offer extra support; sometimes only a small amount of such support is enough to make a big difference.

Also important is an engaging curriculum and effective teaching practices.

Many students do not find their lessons intellectually stimulating. Students want and need work that challenges their abilities but that also provides the opportunity to be successful.

This is only partly a matter of the content; it is also a matter of effective teaching and of fair assessment practices.

Students do better when they feel they have some input into the kind of work they do, opportunities to improve their work, and teaching that pays attention to their background knowledge and interests.

The fourth key factor is a respectful environment, where staff and students treat one another with consideration and thoughtfulness, where students have a voice in how the school operates, and where rules show consideration for students' individual needs and circumstances.

High schools that embody these features will have better outcomes and better graduation rates.

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NHL GMs seek more enforcement of existing league rules

Change is in the air at the highest levels of the NHL.

The general managers followed commissioner Gary Bettman's lead yesterday by announcing they would like to see a tighter enforcement of rules on charging and boarding. The group stopped short of recommending a ban on all head hits — something many fans have called for — but it has clearly decided to be more proactive in trying to reduce the number of concussions.

"It's hard to change the game on the fly, that is for sure," said Pittsburgh Penguins GM Ray Shero. "But I think there's certainly an appetite among the managers to have a safer environment, have the rules followed more aggressively, especially when it comes to boarding and charging ... (and) protecting a vulnerable player.

"Everybody's really open about these things and talking about them."

It's created a much different atmosphere at these meetings than in years past. Confronted with a growing number of significant injuries and armed with data about what is causing them, the GMs seem to have had their eyes opened to the issue — and have shown a collective willingness to open their minds as well.

In addition to the stricter penalties for charging and boarding, the GMs are calling for longer suspensions in instances where there is an illegal head hit, particularly for repeat offenders.

After the meetings wrap up today, the competition committee will examine the official proposal drafted here. Ultimately, that group and the league's board of governors must grant approval. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

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▶ Nazem Kadri will be rejoining the Leafs tonight as they face the Hurricanes.

Can Kadri lift Leafs?

Top prospect gets the call to replace injured Armstrong as Toronto faces uphill battle to make playoffs He failed to score in first NHL stint

As the Maple Leafs' season again becomes mostly about the future rather than the club's fading playoff hopes, Nazem Kadri has arrived as a featured character in both unfolding storylines.

Kadri, Toronto's first draft pick in 2009, has been recalled by the team and will be in the lineup tonight when the Leafs face Carolina in Raleigh, the latest in a recurring stretch of must-win games.

The 20-year-old will replace Colby Armstrong who broke his foot in Monday's soul-crushing 6-2 home loss to Tampa.

"I'm excited to be part of this playoff push," Kadri said. "It's not over yet. It's definitely doable and, hopefully, I can make a contribution."

For the optimists in Leafs Nation, a population that ebbs and flows with each result, the cocky Kadri represents an injection of offensive skill and excitement that could edge the club back towards the eighth and final playoff spot in the Eastern Conference. Kadri, along with fellow call-up defenceman Matt Lashoff, might even energize a moribund power play that has only one goal in the last eight games, going a dismal 1-for-32 over that stretch.

For the realists who don't use terms like "Leafs Nation," this is an opportunity for Kadri to demonstrate that he should be part of the debate when projecting next season's roster. An early stint with the big club this season was an unqualified failure. Over 17 games, he couldn't score a goal, had six assists and was a minus four. **TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE**

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Leafs preview

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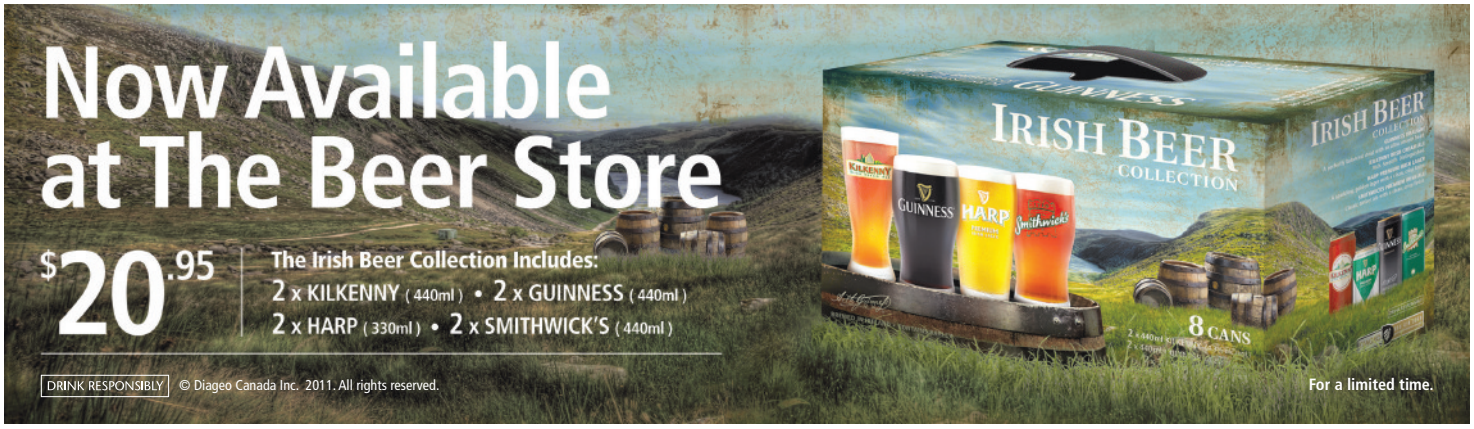
Toronto (30-30-10) lost more than just a game Monday in its 6-2 defeat at the hands of Tampa Bay. Forward Colby Armstrong suffered a broken foot blocking a shot against the Lightning.

This is an important stretch for Carolina (31-28-10 heading into last night's game versus Buffalo). The Hurricanes still remain very much in the thick of the playoff race in the Eastern Conference with a chance to make up ground with games against the Sabres and Maple Leafs. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**



GRABOVSKI OFFERS GREAT VALUE

Opinion

ADAM PROTEAU
THE HOCKEY NEWS

The Maple Leafs are coming off three straight losses and some of the wind has been transferred from their sails and into the bags of bombast popularly known as cynical sports talk radio callers who would have you believe the organization can't get off the wrong track.

As we told you last week, this particular collection of Leafs players isn't like the ones of past years. These players are at the beginning of their NHL prime, not the tail end as we are used to seeing.

But there are other stark differences that bode well for Toronto's future. And perhaps no single player embodies that difference better than the bone-crushin' Belarusian himself, centre Mikhail Grabovski.

OK, "bone-crushing" may be pouring it on a little thick. But don't be fooled, because even though he's just five-foot-11 in stature, Grabovski, has shown all kinds of guts — not to mention a dazzling array of offensive moves — in this, his breakout season as an NHLer.

When Grabovski first became a Leaf in the summer of 2008, he wasn't arriving with a squeaky clean reputation; the Montreal Canadiens found him toxic to their dressing room and dealt him to Toronto for a prospect and a second-round pick.

His play that season was promising — he had 20 goals and 48 points in 78 games — and he was rewarded with a three-year, $8.7-million contract extension. But in his sophomore campaign last year, Grabovski was injured, ineffective (10 goals and 35 points in 59 games) and looked more like former Leaf Sergei Berezin: A skilled European who couldn't excel at the North American game.

Now, he has become Toronto's best all-around player, a point-producing menace (he led all Leafs with 53 points in 69 games) and (unlike Berezin) a ferocious backchecker who doesn't mind going into the dirty areas to produce goals.

Now, he fights through apparent head injuries to return to the ice to score game-winning goals. If Grabovski was Canadian, certain commentators would have statues of him already built.

Nevertheless, at $2.9 million a season, he's a bargain for the Leafs — and a boon for their future.

Blue Jays. Defeated

▶ Phillies teammates congratulate Raul Ibanez yesterday after his third-inning, two-run home run.

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Phillies win a wild one

Joe Blanton settled down after a shaky start while Raul Ibanez hit a two-run homer as the Philadelphia Phillies beat the Toronto Blue Jays 13-7 yesterday. Anthony Gose hit a two-run triple in the seventh that put Toronto ahead 7-6, but the Phillies erupted for five runs in the eighth.

New approach paying off for Bayless

All along, the Toronto Raptors have wanted Jerryd Bayless to be a bit more selfish and use his individual skills as much as they want him to meld into a team system.

They've wanted the young point guard to attack the basket, to simplify things, to be as concerned about himself as he is about others.

It's starting to click these days, and Bayless's play has markedly improved.

"I think the biggest thing for him is that if you attack and you're a scorer like he is, then go to the basket until they stop you," Raptors coach Jay Triano said of Bayless.

"When they stop you, then you can make another play. I think he was trying to make plays and became predictable. You become very one-dimensional when you play like that."

It's hard, though, for a young guy new to a team to try to serve his own purposes first. The 22-year-old was acquired from New Orleans in the Jarrett Jack deal in November and was thrust into a role backing up starter Jose Calderon.

One thing about Bayless that has impressed coaches since he arrived is his defence.

He is quick and strong and better at keeping his man in front of him than Calderon is, and Triano has taken to defence-offence substitutions with his two guards late in close games.

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d-Washington	71	41	20	5	5	193	173	92	22-8-2-5	19-12-3-0	9-1-0-0	W9
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Tampa Bay	70	39	22	4	5	210	211	87	22-9-1-4	17-13-3-1	4-4-1-1	W1
Montreal	70	38	25	4	3	186	176	83	21-9-3-3	17-16-1-0	7-3-0-0	L1
NY Rangers	71	37	30	2	2	204	174	78	16-17-1-2	21-13-1-0	6-4-0-0	W2
Buffalo	70	34	28	7	1	203	202	76	15-16-2-1	19-12-5-0	5-3-1-1	L1
Carolina	70	32	28	5	5	197	209	74	18-11-2-2	14-17-3-3	2-6-1-1	W1
New Jersey	69	33	32	3	1	150	176	70	17-14-2-1	16-18-0-1	8-2-0-0	W3
Toronto	70	30	30	5	5	184	218	70	16-14-3-4	14-16-2-1	4-3-2-1	L1
Atlanta	70	29	29	5	7	196	226	70	14-14-2-5	15-15-3-2	4-4-1-1	L1
Florida	70	28	33	5	4	175	194	65	14-15-5-3	14-18-0-1	3-5-2-0	L1
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d-San Jose	71	40	23	4	4	203	186	88	18-11-2-3	22-12-2-1	5-3-0-2	W1
Los Angeles	70	40	25	3	2	196	170	85	20-11-2-0	20-14-1-2	7-2-1-0	W4
Phoenix	71	37	23	7	4	206	203	85	17-11-4-2	20-12-3-2	4-4-1-1	W3
Chicago	70	38	24	3	5	232	197	84	22-14-0-0	16-10-4-4	7-1-1-1	W1
Dallas	70	37	25	3	5	196	199	82	19-11-2-4	18-14-1-1	5-3-2-0	L2
Calgary	72	36	27	3	6	217	207	81	21-12-1-3	15-15-2-3	5-4-0-1	L3
Nashville	70	35	25	6	4	179	165	80	17-8-4-3	18-18-1-1	4-4-1-1	L1
Anaheim	69	37	27	3	2	195	202	79	21-12-1-1	16-15-2-1	5-4-1-0	L1
Minnesota	70	35	28	2	5	178	188	77	17-13-1-3	18-15-1-2	3-6-1-0	L3
Columbus	69	32	27	4	6	190	209	74	16-14-1-3	16-13-3-3	2-4-1-3	L1
St. Louis	69	31	29	4	5	193	207	71	20-12-1-3	11-17-3-2	4-6-0-0	L1
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Phoenix at Edmonton, 9 p.m.
St. Louis at Los Angeles, 10:30 p.m.
Minnesota at San Jose, 10:30 p.m.

COYOTES 4, FLAMES 3
First Period
1. Phoenix, Stempniak 15 (Fidler, Pyatt) 8:25
2. Calgary, Jokinen 15 (Bourque, Kiprusoff) 18:02
Penalty — Jokinen Cal (hooking) 13:32.
Second Period
3. Phoenix, Belanger 12 (Korpikoski, Doan) 6:11
Penalties — Klesla Phx (roughing), Bouma Cal (high-sticking) 7:25, Ebbett Phx (holding) 19:09.
Third Period
4. Phoenix, Yandle 11 (Vrbata, Ebbett) 1:53
5. Phoenix, Rozsival 5 (Fiddler) 2:12
6. Calgary, Backlund 9 (Giordano, Iginla) 3:09 (pp)
7. Calgary, Tanguay 19 (Bourque, Bouwmeester) 9:28
Penalty — Korpikoski Phx (high-sticking) 3:04.
Shots

Phoenix	11	6	8	—25
Calgary	8	11	8	—27

Goal — Phoenix: Bryzgalov (W,31-17-8); Calgary: Kiprusoff (L,21-12-4). **Power plays (goals-chances)** — Phoenix: 0-1; Calgary: 1-2.
Referees — Dennis LaRue, Stephen Walkom.
Linesmen — Don Henderson, Brian Murphy.
Att. — 19,289 (19,289) at Calgary.

PENGUINS 5, SENATORS 1
First Period
1. Pittsburgh, Kennedy 16 (Martin, Kunitz) 9:14
Penalties — Smith Ott (goaltender interference) 1:55, Lovejoy Pgh (hooking) 13:45, Engelland Pgh, Neil Ott (fighting) 16:40, Greening Ott (interference) 19:19.
Second Period
2. Pittsburgh, Staal 9 (Kennedy, Kunitz) 1:21
3. Ottawa, Shannon 7 (Foligno) 2:08 (pp)
4. Pittsburgh, Lovejoy 2 (Staal, Kunitz) 3:05
5. Pittsburgh, Cooke 12 (Jeffrey, Martin) 7:35
Penalties — Michalek Pgh (tripping) 2:02, Cooke Pgh (tripping) 10:25, Karlsson Ott (holding) 11:30, Smith Ott (high-sticking) 12:13.
Third Period
6. Pittsburgh, Michalek 3 (Jeffrey, Kovalev) 8:47
Penalties — Engelland Pgh, Lessard Ott (misconduct) 14:10, Smith Ott (roughing) 15:03, Rupp Pgh (goaltender interference) 15:41.
Shots

Pittsburgh	13	14	14	—41
Ottawa	6	3	13	—22

Goal — Pittsburgh: Johnson (W,10-5-3); Ottawa: Anderson (L,19-19-3). **Power plays (goals-chances)** — Pittsburgh: 0-5; Ottawa: 1-4.
Referees — Marc Joannette, Frederick L'Ecuyer. **Linesmen** — Brad Kovachik, Tim Nowak.
Att. — 19,249 (19,153) at Ottawa.

CAPITALS 4, CANADIENS 2
First Period
1. Washington, Johansson 10 (Wideman, Holtby) 1:06 (pp)
2. Montreal, Moen 5, 1:26
3. Washington, Laich 16 (Alzner, Carlson) 13:23
Penalties — Plekanec Mtl (hooking) 0:46, Bradley Wash, Mara Mtl (fighting) 1:48, Sturm Wash (holding) 10:20, Sloan Wash (hooking) 16:42, Hamrlik Mtl (interference) 18:09, Mara Mtl (interference) 18:17.
Second Period
4. Montreal, Kostitsyn 17 (Eller, Subban) 3:28
Penalty — Moen Mtl (holding) 11:32.
Third Period
5. Washington, Johansson 11 (Ovechkin) 6:43
6. Washington, Knuble 17 (Sturm) 16:53 (pp)
Penalties — Knuble Wash (hooking), Wisniewski Mtl (holding stick) 3:08, Sturm Wash (hooking) 14:42, Eller Mtl (interference) 15:00.
Shots

Washington	16	17	8	—41
Montreal	12	6	8	—26

Goal — Washington: Holtby (W,9-2-2); Montreal: Price (L,33-23-6). **Power plays (goals-chances)** — Washington: 2-5. Montreal 0-3.
Referees — Dean Morton, Brad Watson. **Linesmen** — Greg Devorski, Jonny Murray.
Att. — 21,273 (21,273) at Montreal.

MONDAY

CANUCKS 4, WILD 2
First Period
1. Vancouver, Torres 14 (Malhotra, Hansen) 1:59
2. Vancouver, D.Sedin 38 (Samuelsson, H.Sedin) 8:28 (pp)
3. Vancouver, Kesler 35 (Samuelsson, Ehrhoff) 14:32 (pp)
Penalties — Stoner Minn (interference) 8:22, Stoner Minn (cross-checking) 13:22.
Second Period
4. Minnesota, Brunette 17 (M.Koivu, Stoner) 17:03
Penalties — Torres Vcr (hooking) 1:46, Kesler Vcr (hooking) 9:55, Malhotra Vcr (delay of game) 10:27, Hansen Vcr (tripping) 12:22.
Third Period
5. Minnesota, M.Koivu 16 (Brunette, Burns) 4:32
6. Vancouver, Kesler 36 (Malhotra, Erhoff) 19:56 (en)
Penalties — Lapierre Vcr (goaltender interference) 14:27, Kesler Vcr (high-sticking) 17:50.
Shots

Minnesota	12	14	7	—35
Vancouver	12	3	7	—22

Goal — Minnesota: Backstrom (L,21-18-4); Vancouver: Luongo (W,33-13-7). **Power plays (goals-chances)** — Minnesota: 0-6; Vancouver: 2-2.
Referees — Eric Furlatt, Stephen Walkom.
Linesmen — Brad Lazarowich, Vaughan Rody.
Att. — 18,860 (18,860) at Vancouver.

SCORING LEADERS

	G	A	PT
D.Sedin, Vcr	38	52	90
Stamkos, TB	43	43	86
H.Sedin, Vcr	16	68	84
St. Louis, TB	26	57	83
Perry, Ana	36	39	75
Ovechkin, Wash	28	45	73
Toews, Chi	30	41	71
Kopitar, LA	24	46	70
Zetterberg, Det	18	51	69
Sharp, Chi	34	34	68
Iginla, Cal	30	37	67
Crosby, Pgh	32	34	66
B.Richards, Dal	25	40	65
Kesler, Vcr	36	28	64
C.Giroux, Pha	22	42	64
E.Staal, Car	29	34	63
Eriksson, Dal	23	40	63
Selanne, Ana	21	42	63

Last night's games not included

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EAST DIVISION

	GP	W	L	Pct.	GF	GA	GB
Toronto	11	9	2	.818	132	101	—
Buffalo	10	7	3	.700	110	93	1½
Boston	11	6	5	.545	117	102	3
Rochester	10	5	5	.500	93	107	3½
Philadelphia	11	4	7	.364	99	125	5

WEST DIVISION

	GP	W	L	Pct.	GF	GA	GB
Calgary	10	7	3	.700	121	109	—
Minnesota	9	5	4	.556	102	98	1½
Washington	11	5	6	.455	146	135	2½
Edmonton	10	2	8	.200	103	128	5
Colorado	9	1	8	.111	80	105	5½

WEEK 11
Saturday's game
All times Eastern
Edmonton at Calgary, 9:30 p.m.

MLB

SPRING TRAINING

AMERICAN LEAGUE

	W	L	Pct
Seattle	10	4	.714
Kansas City	11	6	.647
Detroit	13	8	.619
Boston	11	8	.579
Minnesota	9	8	.529
Texas	9	8	.529
Baltimore	8	8	.500
Los Angeles	9	10	.474
Toronto	8	9	.471
Tampa Bay	7	9	.438
Cleveland	7	9	.438
Chicago	6	10	.375
Oakland	7	12	.368
New York	6	11	.353

NATIONAL LEAGUE

	W	L	Pct
San Francisco	14	5	.737
Colorado	13	6	.684
Philadelphia	13	7	.650
Atlanta	11	6	.647
Milwaukee	11	7	.611
Cincinnati	10	7	.588
Washington	10	7	.588
St. Louis	9	7	.563
New York	9	9	.500
San Diego	8	9	.471
Chicago	9	12	.429
Pittsburgh	8	11	.421
Houston	7	14	.333
Florida	5	12	.294
Los Angeles	6	15	.286
Arizona	5	15	.250

NOTE: Split-squad games count; games against non-major league teams do not.
Yesterday's results
Philadelphia 13, Toronto 7
Colorado 4 Chicago Cubs (ss) 2
St. Louis 4, Atlanta 0
Houston 14, Baltimore 8
Tampa Bay 11, Florida 2
L.A. Angels 9 San Diego 6
Kansas City 4 Oakland (ss) 3
Chicago Cubs (ss) 8 Oakland (ss) 1
Boston 2, Detroit 1, 10 innings
L.A. Dodgers 7 Texas 6
Cleveland 9 Milwaukee 7
N.Y. Mets 5 Washington 2
San Francisco vs. Arizona
Today's games
Tampa vs. Florida at Jupiter, Fla., 1:05 p.m.
Boston vs. Atl. at Kissimmee, Fla., 1:05 p.m.
St. Louis vs. Det. at Lakeland, Fla., 1:05 p.m.
NYM vs. Minn. at Fort Myers, Fla., 1:05 p.m.
Toronto vs. Pitt. at Bradenton, Fla., 1:05 p.m.
Wash. vs. Hou. at Kissimmee, Fla., 1:05 p.m.
San Fran. vs. CWS at Glendale, Ariz., 4:05 p.m.
LAA vs. Ariz. at Scottsdale, Ariz., 4:10 p.m.
Baltimore vs. NYY at Tampa, Fla., 7:05 p.m.
Colorado vs. Texas at Surprise, Ariz., 9:05 p.m.
Milw. vs. Seattle at Peoria, Ariz., 10:05 p.m.
KC vs. Cincinnati at Goodyear, Ariz., 10:05 p.m.

CYCLING

TIRRENO-ADRIATICO
At San Benedetto del Tronto, Italy
Seventh and final stage
1. Fabian Cancellara, Switzerland, Leopard-Trek, 10 minutes 33 seconds; 2. Lars Boom, Netherlands, Rabobank, nine seconds behind; 3. Adriano Malori, Italy, Lampre, 0:19; 4. Rick Flens, Netherlands, Rabobank, 0:20; 5. Bert Grabsch, Germany, HTC-High Road, 0:22; 6. Marco Pinotti, Italy, HTC-High Road, 0:24; 7. Sebastien Rosseler, Belgium, Radioshack, same time; 8. Nicolas Jonathan Castroviejo, Spain, Euskaltel, 0:25; 9. Robert Gesink, Netherlands, Rabobank, 0:27; 10. Nick Nuyens, Belgium, Saxo Bank, 0:28.
Overall Standings
(final after seven stages)
1. Cadel Evans, Australia, BMC, 27 hours 37 minutes 37 seconds; 2. Robert Gesink, Netherlands, Rabobank, 11 seconds behind; 3. Michele Scarponi, Italy, Lampre, 0:15; 4. Ivan Basso, Italy, Liquigas, 0:24; 5. Vincenzo Nibali, Italy, Liquigas, 0:30

NBA

EASTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	Pct	GB
y-Chicago	48	18	.727	—
x-Boston	47	18	.723	½
x-Miami	46	21	.687	2½
Orlando	42	26	.618	7
Atlanta	39	28	.582	9½
New York	34	32	.515	14
Philadelphia	34	33	.507	14½
Indiana	29	38	.433	19½
Charlotte	28	38	.424	20
Milwaukee	26	40	.394	22
Detroit	23	44	.343	25½
New Jersey	22	43	.338	25½
Toronto	18	48	.273	30
Washington	16	50	.242	32
Cleveland	12	53	.185	35½

WESTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	Pct	GB
x-San Antonio	54	13	.806	—
Dallas	47	19	.712	6½
d-L.A. Lakers	48	20	.706	6½
d-Oklahoma City	43	23	.652	10½
Denver	40	27	.597	14
New Orleans	39	30	.565	16
Portland	37	29	.561	16½
Memphis	37	31	.544	17½
Utah	35	33	.515	19½
Phoenix	33	32	.508	20
Houston	34	34	.500	20½
Golden State	30	37	.448	24
L.A. Clippers	26	42	.382	28½
Minnesota	17	51	.250	37½
Sacramento	16	49	.246	37

d – division leader; **x** — clinched playoff berth; **y** — clinched division.
Last night's results
Atlanta 110 Milwaukee 85
Indiana 119 New York 117
Chicago 98 Washington 79
Dallas at Portland
Monday's results
New Jersey 88 Boston 79
Oklahoma City 116 Washington 89
Memphis 105 L.A. Clippers 82
Denver 114 New Orleans 103
Miami 110 San Antonio 80
Houston 95 Phoenix 93
Utah 112 Philadelphia 107, OT
Sacramento 129 Golden State 119
L.A. Lakers 97 Orlando 84
Tonight's games
All times Eastern
Denver at Atlanta, 7 p.m.
Indiana at Boston, 7:30 p.m.
Toronto at Detroit, 7:30 p.m.
Orlando at Milwaukee, 8 p.m.
Phoenix at New Orleans, 8 p.m.
Oklahoma City at Miami, 8 p.m.
Charlotte at Houston, 8:30 p.m.
Minnesota at Utah, 9 p.m.
Cleveland at Sacramento, 10 p.m.
Dallas at Golden State, 10:30 p.m.
Philadelphia at L.A. Clippers, 10:30 p.m.

CRICKET

WORLD CUP

GROUP A

	MP	W	T	L	NR	Pt
x-New Zealand	5	4	0	1	0	8
x-Pakistan	5	4	0	1	0	8
x-Sri Lanka	5	3	0	1	1	7
x-Australia	4	3	0	0	1	7
Zimbabwe	5	1	0	4	0	2
Canada	**5**	**1**	**0**	**4**	**0**	**2**
Kenya	5	0	0	5	0	0

GROUP B

	MP	W	T	L	NR	Pt
x-South Africa	5	4	0	1	0	8
India	5	3	1	1	0	7
West Indies	4	3	0	1	0	6
Bangladesh	5	3	0	2	0	6
England	5	2	1	2	0	5
Ireland	5	1	0	4	0	2
Netherlands	5	0	0	5	0	0

x — clinched berth in quarter-finals.
Yesterday's result
At Kolkata, India
South Africa (272 for seven) def. Ireland (141, all out) by 131 runs.
Today's match
At Bangalore, India
Australia vs. **Canada**

TENNIS

ATP-WTA BNP PARIBAS OPEN
At Indian Wells, Calif.
Yesterday's results
Men's Singles — Third Round
Ryan Harrison, U.S., def. **Milos Raonic,. Thornhill, Ont.,** 7-6 (7-1), 4-6, 6-4.
Roger Federer (2), Switzerland, def. Juan Ignacio Chela (29), Argentina, 6-0, 6-2.
Novak Djokovic (3), Serbia, def. Ernests Gulbis (31), Latvia, 6-0, 6-1.
Tomas Berdych (7), Czech Republic, def. Thomaz Bellucci (26), Brazil, 6-3, 6-2.
Richard Gasquet (18), France, def. Jurgen Melzer (10), Austria, 6-1, 6-3.
Stanislas Wawrinka (12), Switzerland, def. Marin Cilic (17), Croatia, 7-5, 6-3.
Viktor Troicki (16), Serbia, def. Michael Llodra (24), France, 6-3, 6-3.
Men's Doubles — Second Round
Rohan Bopanna, India, and Aisam-ul-Haq Qureshi, Pakistan, def. Mahesh Bhupathi and Leander Paes (3), India, 6-3, 6-4.
Women's Singles — Fourth Round
Caroline Wozniacki (1), Denmark, def. Alisa Kleybanova (22), Russia, 2-6, 6-3, 6-1.
Shahar Peer (10), Israel, def. Francesca Schiavone (5), Italy, 6-4, 3-6, 7-6 (3).
Marion Bartoli (15), France, def. Kim Clijsters (2), Belgium, 3-6, 3-1, (retired).
Ana Ivanovic (19), Serbia, def. Jelena Jankovic (6), Serbia, 6-4, 6-2.
Yanina Wickmayer (23), Belgium, def. Dominika Cibulkova (25), Slovakia, 7-5, 7-5.
Victoria Azarenka (8), Belarus, def. Agnieszka Radwanska (9), Poland, 4-6, 6-3, 7-6 (3).

SOCCER

CHAMPIONS LEAGUE
Yesterday's results
SECOND LEG
Bayern Munich (Germ.) 2 Inter Milan (Italy) 3 (aggregate 3-3; Inter advances on away goals)
Manchester United (Eng.) 2 Marseille (Fran.) 1 (United advances on 2-1 aggregate)

ASIAN CHAMPIONS LEAGUE
Group A
Al-Gharafa (Qatar) 0 Al-Hilal (Saudi Arabia) 1
Foolad Sepahan (Iran) 5 Al-Jazira (UAE) 1
Group B
Al-Nassr (Saudi Arabia) 2 Esteghlal (Iran) 1
Group E
Melbourne Victory (Australia) 1 Jeju United (South Korea) 2
Tianjin Teda (China) 2 Gamba Osaka (Japan) 1
Group F
FC Seoul (South Korea) 3 Hangzhou Greentown (China) 0
Nagoya Grampus (Japan) vs. Al-Ain (UAE) (ppd.)

ENGLAND
LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIP
Burnley 2, Coventry 2
Ipswich 0, Watford 3
Scunthorpe 0, Preston 3

MLS
Last night's result
Los Angeles at Seattle FC
Saturday's games
All times Eastern
Toronto FC at Vancouver FC, 6:30 p.m.
Columbus at D.C. United, 7:30 p.m.
Seattle FC at New York, 7:30 p.m.
Chicago at FC Dallas, 8:30 p.m.
Philadelphia at Houston, 8:30 p.m.
Portland at Colorado, 9 p.m.
Sporting K.C. at Chivas USA, 10:30 p.m.
Real Salt Lake at San Jose, 10:30 p.m.
Sunday's game
New England at Los Angeles, 8 p.m.

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No powertrain upgrade

Unfortunately, there's no upgrade in the powertrain department for the new Jeep Compass model.

The base front-wheel-drive Compass comes with the usual 158-horsepower 2.0-litre four-cylinder. A 172-horsepower 2.4-litre four-cylinder is optional, but standard in 4x4 models. A five-speed manual transmission is standard with either engine, while a continuously variable unit (with no set gearing) is optional.

Cherokee-like

After viewing the new Compass head-on, you could be forgiven for confusing it with the stouter Grand Cherokee, which was brand new for the 2011 model year.

From the windshield forward, the Compass is a totally new rig and a very attractive one to boot. The vertical grille slots are adorned with tasteful chrome surrounds and the projector-style headlights literally reflect a more upscale image.

A Jeep for your situation

Those who don't plan on playing in the mud can roll with a front-wheel-drive Compass. But for coping with all-weather and bad-road scenarios, you'll need to order Freedom Drive I. With it, you can "lock up" all four wheels in synchronous drive mode for maximum traction.

The more adventurous can now add the Freedom Drive II package, which includes a driver-selectable low-range gear, all-terrain tires, protective skid plates and a beefier suspension setup that's designed for more severe off-trail use.

▶ The side profile is similar to the previous Compass, but at the front the change is dramatic. You could easily confuse it for the Grand Cherokee.

Compass is pointing in the right direction

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The un-Jeep-est of Jeeps has suddenly found its way to becoming a more respectable member of Chrysler's family of off-roaders.

Based on the Dodge Caliber platform, both the Compass and the similarly-sized Patriot arrived for the 2007 model year.

The Compass was marketed as a non-offroader and Jeep purists cried foul over this heritage-robbing travesty, perhaps forgetting that several decades ago Jeep produced the rear-wheel-drive Jeepster designed strictly for on-road fun.

Meanwhile, with the right gear, the Patriot could venture where the Compass dared not tread.

Following a lengthy delay, the 2011 Compass has finally found its bearings and, to nearly everyone's surprise, now looks like a proper Jeep. More importantly, it also now matches the Patriot for off-road aptitude and attitude.

The changes bestowed upon Jeep's cute ute likely won't be enough to satisfy hard core fanatics, but, honestly, they're not likely the intended target audience anyway.

It's still not the Jeep-est of Jeeps, but this upgraded Compass is a good bet for buyers seeking out a handsome, fuel-efficient and affordable machine that will take just about anything thrown at it.

▶ The new "Trail Rated" Compass, even if you never take it off pavement, instantly raises the credibility of this model.

▶ The new interior is less clunky and chunky with much tighter tolerances where the door panels meet the dash.

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A fresh set of standard 17-inch aluminum wheels (18-inches on Limited models) adorn the restyled Compass and support a revised suspension and steering system. Jeep claims the changes make for a more comfortable ride and improve the drivability over a wide variety of terrain.

Jeep Compass

What you should know about the 2011 Jeep Compass:

- **Type:** Four-door, front-/four-wheel-drive compact wagon.
- **Engine (hp):** 2.0-litre DOHC I4 (158); 2.4-litre DOHC I4 (172).
- **Transmission:** Five-speed manual; continuously variable (opt.).
- **Stats:** L/100 km (city/hwy): 9.0/7.0 (2.0, MT).

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By comparison

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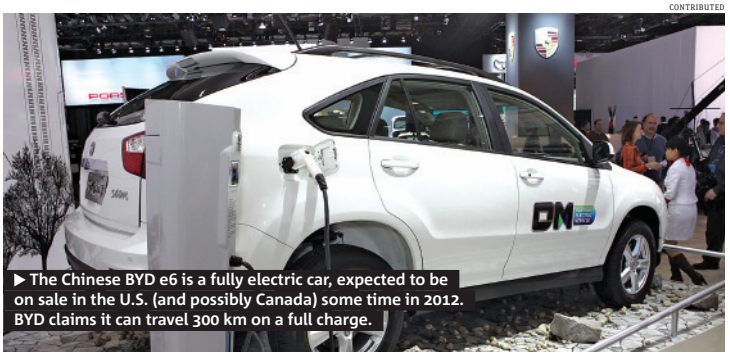

▶ The Chinese BYD e6 is a fully electric car, expected to be on sale in the U.S. (and possibly Canada) some time in 2012. BYD claims it can travel 300 km on a full charge.

Ever wonder why your jeans, computer and hockey stick are made in China, but not your car? If you're thinking the answer is, "just wait," you might be right. But the wait will definitely be longer than most anticipate.

For one thing, China's automakers took a collective deep breath about a year ago, and decided to concentrate on domestic production and sales, which makes immanent sense really.

Why battle in mature North America and Europe markets, bursting with famous and over-achieving brand names, when your models have zero brand recognition there?

A Chang'an Alsvin anyone? And why go to a party across town, when the one happening in your own 'hood is the biggest and baddest one on the planet?

Two years ago, China surpassed the U.S. as the world's largest single-country market. Over 18 million cars and light-duty trucks were sold in China in 2010, compared to about 11.6 million in the U.S.

A recent report suggests Chinese annual domestic sales will approach 40 million by 2020.

They already make more vehicles than anybody — about 16 million a year — and are poised to make much more in the near future, but they'll need pretty much all of it to satiate domestic demand.

According to auto analyst Michael Pistol, of TJAA Analytics (tjaa.ca), the only Chinese-built vehicles we're likely to see in North America and Europe will be those branded as Ford, VW, GM, etc., or possibly under a new "sub brand" developed and sold by those automakers. These vehicles would be built by Chinese operations under contract, or by plants in China owned and operated by American, European, Japanese and Korean automakers (joint and otherwise).

Big sellers

Top selling cars in China

1. BYD F3
2. Buick Excelle
3. Volkswagen Jetta

"The Chinese automakers have no intention what so ever of coming into our market under their own brand names," noted Pistol.

But at least one Chinese automaker, BYD, has gone on record that it will sell vehicles in the U.S under its own label.

BYD, which stands for "Bring Your Dreams," is famous for having one very influential investor — Warren Buffet.

The BYD F3 is currently the top selling vehicle in China. But the first BYD vehicle to hit these shores is slated to be the all-electric BYD e6, shown at three consecutive Detroit auto shows.

As it stands, the e6 is supposed to be introduced to U.S. fleet operators in late 2011, and to the retail sector in the first quarter of 2012. But this marks about the third delay in its planned rollout, so don't hold your breath.

Top Gear

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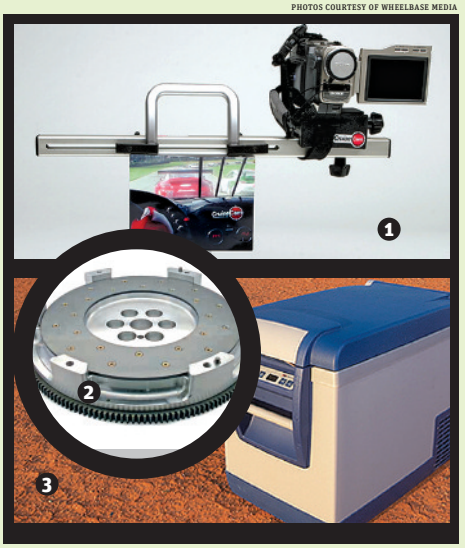

1 Michigan-based CruiseCam International offers a line of products that was originally developed for law-enforcement agencies, although it offers a universal camcorder/video camera mount suitable for personal use that attaches to the twin-post adjustable head restraints on most popular vehicles. A good idea for recording scenes while on vacation. cruisecam.com.

2 Any weight removed from the vehicle means faster response. Fidanza's lightweight aluminum flywheels quite literally shave off kilograms from the engine's rotating assembly that includes the crankshaft, connecting rods, pistons and harmonic balancer located at the front. fidanza.com.

3 You'll see plenty of light-duty 12-volt portable refrigerators out there, but few are heavy-duty enough to actually keep the contents frozen in hot summer weather. The ARB 47-litre fridge/freezer (one of four sizes) draws just 1.35 amps per hour from your vehicle, which, the company claims, is less than the power it takes to run a single headlight. arbusa.com. **WHEELBASE MEDIA**

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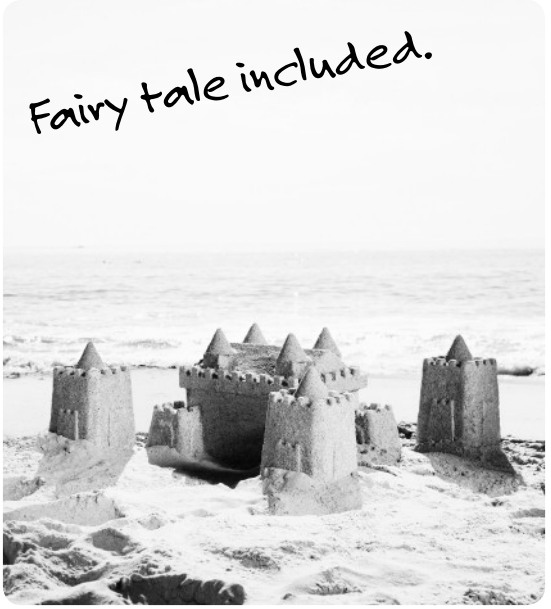

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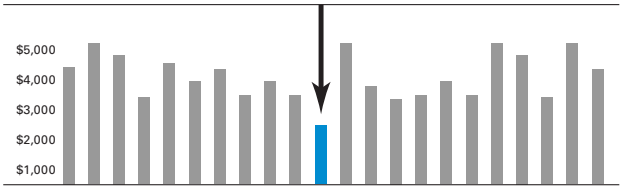

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▶ 2003 Mazda Miata

Drop-top season is approaching

Last-gen Miata might be the market's most reliable fun-car buy

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The warm-weather season is fast approaching, and this just might be your year to get into that zippy convertible for weekend getaways.

Are fun, affordability and fuel economy key priorities in your upcoming used drop-top? If so, be sure to check out the last-generation Mazda MX-5 Miata.

The last generation of this popular two-seat roadster was available from 1999 to 2005 inclusive, and featured a lightweight body and four-cylinder engine for a pleasing combination of performance and fuel efficiency.

Thousands of owners enjoy the Miata's driving character, manoeuvrability, performance, economy and styling. Of course, trunk space is limited, and there's no rear seat. If these are issues for you, look for a bigger convertible like a Ford Mustang or Mitsubishi Eclipse.

Second-generation Miata's got a 1.8-litre four-cylinder engine with between 122 and 142 horsepower, depending on the year in question. All units were rear-wheel drive, and shifted by a five or six-speed manual gearbox. A four-speed automatic was also available.

GX or GS designations were given to basic and mid-range models, while GT and Limited models topped out the model range. Look for features like antilock brakes, Bose audio, power accessories, leather seating and a CD-changer.

Note that a special high-performance Mazdaspeed MX-5 Miata was available as well with a 178-horsepower turbo engine. These models are fairly rare, and will cost more to fuel, maintain and insure — though they're a hoot to drive.

What Owners Like

Not surprisingly, MX-5 owners say they enjoy agile handling dynamics, fun-to-drive performance, and nearly instant access to that "fun in the sun" motoring experience their rides are famous for.

Most report excellent shifter feel and fuel economy, too.

What Owners Hate

Larger drivers typically wish the MX-5 offered up more room for occupants and cargo, and some owners complain of a rough ride on some surfaces.

Common Issues

Inspect the convertible roof mechanism for smooth operation, checking closely for signs of rips or excessive wear.

Does the roof or its storage area smell like mildew? If so, there may be a leak. A duct tape patch job is a bad sign, too.

You'll also want to check for signs of mildew, moisture or rust in the foot wells and under the carpeting in the trunk area. Have a look around the body for rust — especially under the rocker panels and on the bottom of the doors.

Under the hood, check for signs of oil leakage down the side of the block, which could indicate a bad gasket.

Finally, remember that sports cars are likely to have been driven hard — so check the condition of the clutch, brakes and tires before agreeing to purchase.

The Verdict

Find a good deal on a clean, used Miata, and you'll join a proud and happy community of thousands of loyal owners.

What's the 4-1-1?

- **Model:** 1999 to 2005 Mazda Miata
- **Vehicle Type:** Two-seat convertible roadster
- **Approximate used price range:** $6,500 to $17,000

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Secondly, hypermiling is also about your attitude and your right foot. Following a few simple practices can improve your fuel economy beyond what is claimed by the manufacturer.

So what can you do to drive calmer and save some money? First, keep track of your mileage so you have a benchmark and can then gauge which techniques work best for you. Then, concentrate on every aspect of your driving. How fast do you accelerate from a stoplight? How hard do you brake for a stoplight? How often is your right foot on and off the gas pedal? Are you using cruise control on the highway? Tailgating?

Consistency is a major part of saving. Pull away slower and more gradually. Your car may go from zero to 100 km in eight seconds, but if you do it in 16 seconds you'll be surprised how much you will save. And when you are moving, try to maintain the same speed without much fluctuation in the pressure you apply to the gas pedal.

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We seem to be gradually heading that way, but it means running with smaller and more fuel-efficient engines. That might seem like a contradiction since we've been conditioned to believe that the vehicle with the biggest and baddest engine always comes with the best features. It's an outmoded way of selling cars because it excludes a growing number of buyers who will spend the money to buy the vehicle they want, but just don't want to needlessly spend money on gas to propel it.

What does the number of cylinders have to do with your amenities? Nothing if you happen to be Volkswagen or Audi, German brands that have the fun-with-four-cylinders factor dialed in without skimping on the goodies.

The front-wheel-drive VW (Passat) CC sedan appears to be a great refuge for buyers looking for a big step up in style and cachet without paying the price in fuel dollars.

The base engine for this style statement is a 200-horsepower turbocharged four-cylinder with a rating of 10.0/6.6 l/100 km (city/highway). You'll get the usual assortment of power goodies plus air conditioning and access to a plethora of options. You won't be able to get all-wheel-drive with the four-cylinder, which is the exclusive domain of the optional V6, but you will have your choice of a six-speed manual transmission or six-speed automatic. The base price is about $33,400.

▶ The Acura RDX adds a turbocharger to a 2.3-litre four-cylinder engine.

The CC features roughly the same base powerplant you'll find in the sharp Audi A4 sedan and several other products from the Audi/Volkswagen camp, including the snappy Audi A3 wagon.

Having to deal with high gas prices for many more years than North Americans means that German automakers have had a healthy headstart on efficiency. They have to, of course, when that gas costs the equivalent of about $2 per litre.

Other vehicles that offer 4-cylinder engines include the Acura TSX and RDX, Mazda CX-7, Nissan Rogue and Buick Regal.

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Turbo's new role

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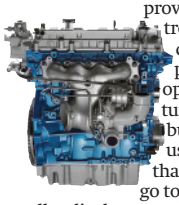
But these days, many people are focusing more on gas prices than go-fast, and turbocharging is playing a new role. Many automakers are using it to get more power out of smaller engines, such as with Ford's EcoBoost technology.

"It leverages the fact that turbocharged engines provide tremendous power opportunity, but it's using that to go to a smaller-displacement engine, which gives you substantial fuel economy," says Barb Samardzich, vice-president of Ford's global product programs.



"It's like you're getting the next-size-up engine, so a V6 feels like a V8, and a (four-cylinder) feels like a V6, so the customer's getting fantastic performance and benefits for the fuel."

EcoBoost also uses direct injection, which adds pressurized fuel directly into the combustion chamber, rather than first mixing it with air in the inlet port. This also helps the system to run cooler.

"Turbocharged engines were typically seen as fuel-thirsty," Samardzich says. "It's because they ran very hot and you'd have to put in more fuel to cool it off. With EcoBoost and direct injection, you can keep that charge cooler."

Typical turbocharged engines of the past needed premium fuel, and the EcoBoost will deliver a little more power on this more expensive grade, but regular 87-octane gasoline will work just fine. Overall, Ford estimates that an EcoBoost engine will deliver up to 20 per cent better fuel economy and a 15 per cent reduction in CO2 emissions, while providing improved engine performance.

Of course, there's always room for a little performance fun, and when the all-new Focus is launched for 2012, you'll be able to get the Focus ST, with a specially-tuned EcoBoost 2.0-litre four-cylinder engine that produces 247 horsepower — the first use of EcoBoost in a high-performance model.

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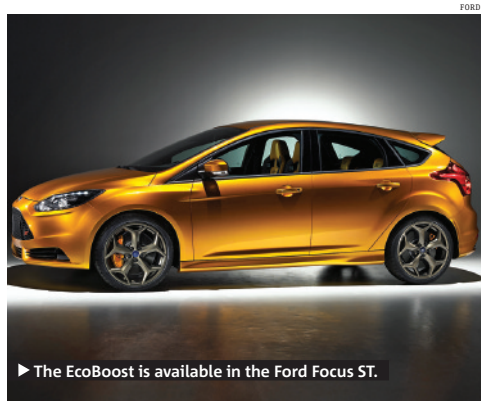
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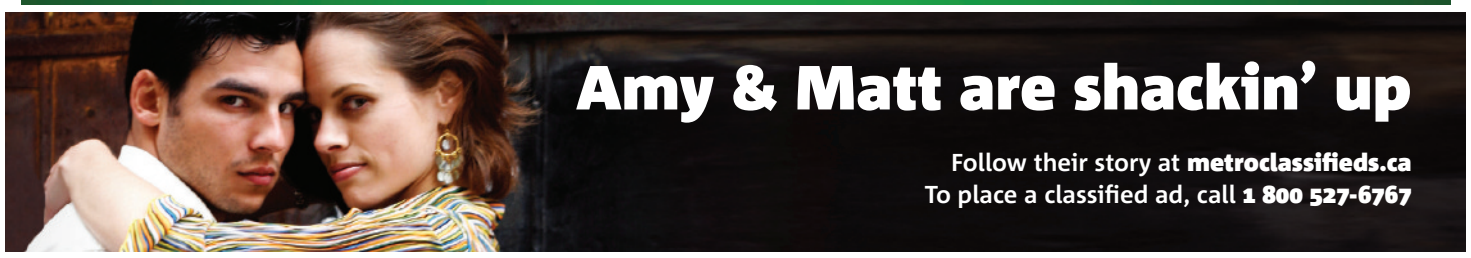

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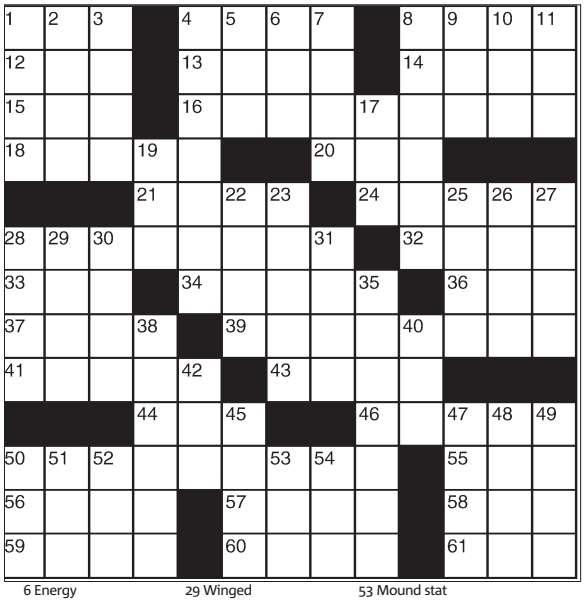

Across

1 Hurry
4 Rescue
8 Green Hornet's ally
12 Raw rock
13 Alternative to Windows
14 "— the Mood for Love"
15 Rowing tool
16 Bell tower
18 Crouch
20 Peculiar
21 Slapstick missiles
24 More mature
28 Asian country
32 Bigfoot's cousin
33 "The Greatest"
34 Cancels out
36 Once around the track
37 Bowling ball's pathway
39 Tea variety
41 Tuck, for one
43 Not crazy
44 Tit for —
46 Anticipate
50 Soft cheese
55 Travail
56 Smell
57 Met melody
58 Shock and —
59 Decisive time
60 — to riches
61 Sweet potato

Down

1 Menageries
2 Baghdad's land
3 Lima's land
4 Vacuum cleaners' force
5 Literary collection
6 Energy
7 World's fair
8 Sympathetic
9 "What Kind of Fool —?"
10 Up to
11 Indivisible
17 Bother
19 Police alert, for short
22 Cabinet dept.
23 Marner of fiction
25 Sandwich shop
26 Handy Latin abbr.
27 Ready for picking
28 Young bovine
29 Winged
30 iPod type
31 — mater
35 Some Beethoven works
38 Diner
40 Kitten's call
42 Lamb's pop
45 Ski-lift type
47 Vacationing
48 "The Music Man" locale
49 Abound
50 Massachusetts cape
51 Toss in
52 Kiwi's extinct cousin
53 Mound stat
54 Equipment

▶ Weekend's answer

A	D	E	N	■	S	L	I	D	■	S	H	A
L	E	V	I	■	A	O	N	E	■	H	O	G
B	L	A	C	K	S	W	A	N	■	O	U	R
■	■	■	K	I	S	S	■	O	P	E	R	A
A	S	H	E	N	■	■	S	T	A	B	■	■
V	I	O	L	■	I	M	P	E	L	L	E	D
E	R	R	■	A	R	I	A	S	■	A	I	R
R	E	S	T	L	E	S	S	■	A	C	R	E
■	■	■	E	R	A	S	■	■	A	S	K	E	W
B	A	S	E	D	■	B	A	C	H	■	■	■
U	G	H	■	D	E	A	D	H	O	R	S	E
D	U	O	■	I	N	T	O	■	R	A	K	E
S	E	E	■	N	E	S	S	■	E	M	I	R

Sudoku

			4		7	8		6
		1	2				5	
8	3	4						7
				5				
9	4						1	8
				2				
4						9	6	5
	7				6	2		
6		9	3		5			

How to play

Fill in the grid, so that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1-9. There is no math involved. You solve the puzzle with reasoning and logic.

Weekend's answer ▶

8	4	1	6	7	2	3	5	9
9	3	7	8	5	1	4	6	2
6	5	2	9	4	3	1	7	8
4	1	6	2	3	9	7	8	5
2	9	5	7	1	8	6	4	3
3	7	8	5	6	4	9	2	1
7	6	9	1	2	5	8	3	4
5	8	3	4	9	6	2	1	7
1	2	4	3	8	7	5	9	6

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Bea, Thanks for the wonderful 10 years, for all we've accomplished together and looking forward to the rest of our lives being a hoot! Love you forever and ever **SUNSHINE**

SWEET POTATO! its going to be friday soon, cant wait!! with all these ups and downs, you make it worth it. to writing more lists and 101's, love you **O-POP**

Happy 27th Birthday to the one I love very much! Almost 3 years together, and you're still my favourite guy! Can't think of a better way to celebrate than steak and wine **LOVE ASHLEYQT XO**

Jessica, you are an amazing person. I love you more than words can say and I'm gonna show you. **LOVE BJKT <3**

Cheli After 27 years you still do it for me baby doll! **LOVE YOUR AGING PUPPYDOG GINGY!**

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Today's horoscope

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♈ Aries March 21-April 20 Mercury in your sign links with Jupiter today, so what you have to do and what you want to do will happily coincide. The key is to approach your work in the right frame of mind.

♉ Taurus April 21-May 21 If you do things by the book today, you will get the rewards you deserve. If you cut corners or tell lies, your underhand methods will most likely rebound on you.

♊ Gemini May 22-June 21 Mercury, your ruler, joins forces with luck planet Jupiter today, making this an excellent time for creative endeavours and friendships. If you can link the two and work on something together, it'll be successful.

♋ Cancer June 22-July 22 It won't be long before you can be open about that project you have been working on in secret these past few weeks. Today though, there's still more you can learn.

♌ Leo July 23-Aug.23 Some people see doom no matter which direction they turn, but you have a more positive outlook on life. The world reflects the mind set you choose to project. Think lucky and you'll be lucky. It's that simple.

♍ Virgo Aug. 24- Sept. 22 If you made a promise to somebody who occupies a position of power, you will be expected to keep it today. Don't think of trying to back out. You can't say one thing then do another.

♎ Libra Sept. 23-Oct. 23 Listen carefully to what other people tell you today because even if what they say is not entirely to your liking, there is wisdom in their words that you could use.

♏ Scorpio Oct. 24-Nov. 22 Your devotion to duty has not gone unnoticed and someone in authority will reward you handsomely before the end of the week. Not that you're doing it for money, of course.

♐ Sagittarius Nov. 23-Dec. 21 Even the smallest effort will yield wonderful results, thanks to Jupiter, your ruler, linking with mind planet Mercury in the most creative area of your chart. If you can think it, you can do it. If you do it, you'll taste success.

♑ Capricorn Dec. 22-Jan. 20 You will get a huge amount of work done in a remarkably short amount of time, but you will get even more done if you use your leadership skills and get other people to help you.

♒ Aquarius Jan. 21-Feb. 18 You will be in demand socially over the next 24 hours but you will have to choose carefully among the many invitations that come your way. You've got an image to maintain.

♓ Pisces Feb. 19-March 20 The most important thing today is that you control your feelings. If you let them get out of hand you may say something you later regret. Also, don't let money worries get the best of you. **SALLY BROMPTON**

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